

Occidental Community Center Advisory Council

Approved Meeting Minutes – July 1, 2014 6:30 pm

Location: Union Hotel Pizzeria, Occidental

Attendees:

Benjamynn Gabriel, Diane Masura, Debbie Klein, Barbara Gonnella, Barbara Costa, Miriam Redstone, Dotty Joos, Alexander Laszlo, Brian Grant, Stephanie Felch, Steve Kay, Dee Swanhuysen

1. **Welcome** new (and prior) attendees

2. **Changes to the agenda**

No changes were suggested.

Corrections to prior minutes – April 8th

No revisions.

3. **Review and discuss the results from the Community Survey**

Survey tally information was distributed including various options for ease of visualizing the results. Information included the results sorted by:

- Community and age group
- Ranked data for programming and capital improvements
(Occidental responses only)
- Ranked data (all communities)
- Future capital results with age comparison
(Occidental responses versus other communities)
- Future programming results with age comparison
(Occidental responses versus other communities)
- Future programming pie-chart versus bar-chart

Additional information discussed includes Current and Past Uses and Other write-ins and Comments. According to the survey, the most effective method of contacting the community was through “Local Businesses”.

There was wide ranging discussion about how the results of the survey should be implemented and there was general interest in coming up with a visionary, complementary solution to reflect the OCC as the “center of the community”.

4. **Discuss next steps:** There were questions about how the selected improvements will be funded, the involvement by Regional Parks, participation by the Farmers Market, how to envision the future options, how to make the Center profitable/financially viable and having more daily use of the facility and site with new programming.

5. **Confirming the agenda for the next meeting:**

- Benjamin suggested having the next meeting in September and the group generally agreed.